IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

Case No. 16-30817-KLP (Chapter 13)
(Chapter 13)
Adv. Pro. No. 17-03023-KLP

Defendants.

PORANIA'S SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEFING IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO DISMISS AMENDED COMPLAINT

Defendant Porania LLC ("Porania"), by counsel, in consideration of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Midland Funding, LLC v. Johnson*, 137 S. Ct. 1407, 197 L. Ed. 2d 790 (2017), hereby submits this Supplemental Briefing to its motion to dismiss the Amended Complaint filed by Plaintiff Ernestine Robinson. *See* ECF 27, 28.

In addition to its previous arguments, Porania wholly adopts and *incorporates by reference* the Supplemental Briefing filed by Co-Defendant Biltmore Asset Management, LLC, which arguments apply equally to Porania. *See* ECF 52. As indicated therein, the Supreme Court's decision in *Midland Funding, LLC v. Johnson*, 137 S. Ct. 1407, 197 L. Ed. 2d 790 (2017),

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precludes application of Plaintiff's claims under the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act ("FDCPA"), 15 U.S.C. § 1692, et seq., in the context of this Chapter 13 bankruptcy.

WHEREFORE, Porania respectfully requests that the Court grant its Motion to Dismiss the Amended Complaint; dismiss the Amended Complaint as against Porania *with prejudice*; and grant such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: October 17, 2017 Respectfully submitted,

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